

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Natural Resource Commission
Regular Meeting
January 14, 2015**

Meeting called at 6:02 p.m. by, Daugherty Johnson III, Commissioner.

Roll Call Commission: Commissioner, Daugherty Johnson III; Vice-Chairman, William McNamara; Treasurer, Frederick Holdorph; Secretary, Renee Dillard; and Associate Commissioner, Jannan Cornstalk;

Absent: None

NRD Staff: Director, Doug Craven; Conservation Officer, Roger Willis; Great Lakes Fisheries Biologist, Kevin Donner; Inland Wildlife Biologist, Archie Kiogima Jr.; and Administrative Assistant, Debra Smithkey-Browne.

Absent: Chief Conservation Officer, Kevin Willis; Environmental Services Program Coordinator, Christina Coger; Inland Fisheries Biologist, Maxwell Field; Lucas Evans; Environmental Response Specialist; Inland Fisheries Biologist, Bill Parsons; Jonathan Mauchmar, Environmental Specialist (Air);

Guest: James Bransky, LTBB Tribal Attorney;

Opening Prayer: Renee Dillard

Public Comment Opened at 6:04 p.m.

Public Comment Closed at 6:05 p.m.

NRC review of the Agenda.

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Secretary; to approve the agenda as Presented; William McNamara, Vice-Chairman, supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

NRC reviewed the Minutes of December 10, 2014.

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Minutes of December 10, 2014; Renee Dillard, Secretary; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Natural Resource Director's Report – Douglas W. Craven, Director

Motion made by William McNamara, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Directors verbal report as presented by Douglas Craven, Director; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Conservation Law Enforcement Report – Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer –

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Secretary; to approve the Conservation Law Enforcement, verbal and written report as submitted/presented by Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Environmental Services Report – Written Report submitted by Christina Coger, Environmental Services Coordinator

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Environmental Service, verbal report by Douglas Craven, Director and the written report as submitted by Christina Coger, Environmental Services Coordinator; Renee Dillard, Secretary; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Inland Wildlife Report – Archie Kiogima, Inland Wildlife Biologist

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Inland Fisheries & Wildlife program written report submitted by Kevin Haynes, Inland Fisheries Biologist; and the verbal report as presented by Archie Kiogima, Inland Wildlife Biologists; supported by William McNamara, Vice-Chairman.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Great Lakes Fishery Report – Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist

7:55 p.m. James Bransky, LTBB Attorney arrives.

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Secretary; to approve the Great Lakes Fishery Biologist verbal and written reports as submitted/presented by Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Break at 8:11 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

Commissioner Report – Commissioners

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Commissioner's verbal report are presented by the commissioners; William McNamara, Vice-Chairman; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve commissioner attendance at the Stewardship Conference to be held on January 23rd & 24th and receive travel/mileage, per diem, lodging and stipend; William McNamara, Vice-Chairman; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve Commissioner Dillard to attend meetings with NRD staff regarding mineral rights and receive travel/mileage, and stipend; William McNamara, Vice-Chairman; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve Commissioner attendance for the meeting with Winnona LaDuke and NRD staff on January 29, 2015 and receive travel/mileage, lodging and stipend; Renee Dillard, Secretary; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Discussion and review was held on the Sturgeon Policy; the NRC determined the Sturgeon Policy states that if a applicant was successful in being selected for the Sturgeon Permit you will not be eligible to apply for Sturgeon for 3 years after that date.

Discussion was held on the Graymont Mine meeting that will be held on January 28, 2015 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

9:30 p.m. Archie Kiogima departs meeting.

Eagle Protection Statute discussion was held.

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to enter into Executive Session at 9:40 p.m.; Jannan Cornstalk, Associate Commissioner; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

9:55 p.m. Roger Willis, Kevin Donner, James Bransky and Debra Smithkey-Browne departs meeting.

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Secretary; to exit Executive Session at 10:15 p.m. and reconvene open meeting; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve commissioner attendance for the CORA meeting on January 22, 2015 in Petoskey, MI and receive travel, per diem, stipend; Renee Dillard, Secretary, supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve commissioner attendance for the joint commission meeting between LTBB NRC and GTB NRC on February 12, 2015 in Traverse City, MI and receive travel, per diem, stipend; Renee Dillard, Secretary, supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Public comment opened at 10:28 p.m.

Public comment closed at 10:29 p.m.

Motion made by Renee Dillard, Secretary; to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m.; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.

5 Yes 0 No 0 Absent 0 Abstained 0 Vacant

Motion Carried

Next scheduled meeting will be held on January 28, 2015

Approved:

Renee Dillard, Secretary

Date